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water supply of the city.
Suppose electric pumps do cost a lot of money, or that spare boilers mean money expended which does not make any return to the taxpayers? The big thing to consider in a matter of this kind is the public health. However, if the Commissioners insist upon keeping it upon a dollars and cents basis, do they think that the cost of a complete duplicate pumping plant would come anywhere near equalling the money that has been lost because of the failure of the water supply by the industrial establishments of the city during the past week? If they do they have an entirely inadequate conception of the industrial side of this community.

INTELLIGENT FARMING.
IN THESE days when public attention is concentrated upon the heroic deeds of American lads on the battlefields of France, and water famines at home, items like that of yesterday which chronicled a visit of 60 Marion county farmers to the state experimental farms at Morgantown are not apt to attract much attention. Nevertheless, there was not much in yesterday's issue of The West Virginian that was of larger importance.

When Marion county farmers can be persuaded to go to the College of Agriculture, even if it is only for a visit of a few hours, it is an indication that interest in the right kind of farming is picking up in this county. Intelligent farming is going to be a very profitable business during the next eight or ten years. There is going to be a ready demand for anything that is grown on a West Virginia farm, and the prices are going to be good. But it is going to take really capable farming to make it pay, even at the prices that will be realized. That is what makes such visits to Morgantown important. The more visits to Morgantown and the more interest in farming as a modern business using science and up to date methods as its aids, the more farmers who will be able to ride around in automobiles, send their sons and daughters to college and buy pedigreed stock.

It was announced at Washington yesterday that because of the increasing demands from the emergency fleet, the army and the navy, the shipments of coal to New England are falling alarmingly behind schedule. The mere official mention of that should put the mining industry and the railroads of this district up on their toes as never before. It is part of our job to coal New England. We could do much better than we have been doing if the transportation situation was better, but even so, every individual from the largest operator down to the humblest boy should remember every day that unless the mines in this section of the bituminous field, and especially of the Fairmont producing district, do their level best all the time there is going to be suffering in the New England states next winter.

Four hundred businessmen attended the meeting held in Pittsburgh yesterday to perfect plans for the co-operation of the manufacturing interests of the Pittsburgh industrial zone with the government for war purposes. It is evident that the manufacturers of this section of the country are getting into the war in earnest. It is also evident to any one who takes the trouble to give that phase of it a bit of thought that the present co-operation, undertaken for patriotic purposes, is going to change manufacturing and business for the better after the war. The concerns that take the most active part in helping the government to win the war will be in best position to help themselves when the war is over.

At Washington it is said that no official reports bearing upon the reported severance of relations between Turkey and the Central powers had been received, but the best posted officials there would not be surprised to find that the break has occurred. Turkey is beginning to realize that she bet on the wrong horse in this race, and maybe she would not be averse to changing sides if the proper inducements were offered. We suspect that they know more in certain offices in the capital about what is going on in Constantinople than they are willing to admit at the present time.

Individually and in fighting organizations the American troops are proving in the only kind of a test that counts that they are better than the picked soldiers of Prussia and Bavaria. Knowing as they do that there are literally millions more of them on the way, that thought probably is causing no end of uneasiness to the members of the German General staff.

Six American congressmen have been under fire in the famous Marne salient. The superintendent of the government printing office had better order an additional typesetting machine or two for the Congressional Record equipment.

SHORT AND SNAPPY
With over a million fighting troops in Europe, and thousands going over every month, the Kaiser will begin to believe that somebody lied to him a year ago.—Western Independent.

The American farmer promises large crops this year in spite of the very serious depletion of farm labor. Reuben has been working as never before and he will be conspicuous when the time comes to pass the laurels. We do not happen to know any other class, except the soldiers, who are playing their part as well.—Spencer Times Record.

Working and fighting are the two things that will win the war. Predictions are of no value and wishes are absolutely worthless.—West Virginia News.

While we are appealed to to keep politics out of the war, we demand that the war be kept out of politics by the candidates.—Guyan Valley Thunderer.

What People Say
and Some Side Remarks

The delegation of eastern bankers making an inspection of the property of the Monongahela Valley Traction Company were taken from Fairmont to the Country Club at noon Tuesday through a hard rain. The autos were without curtains and the visitors as well as business men of the Monongahela Valley got just a little damp. The Country Club was a comfy haven from the storm but one business man (name deleted by censor) observed:
"I wish prohibition was adjourned for about fifteen minutes."

G. B. Stewart, state inspector of weights and measures says:
"At the time that West Virginia went dry there were 1,300 inhabitants of the state penitentiary and since that time the population has decreased 560."
Mr. Stewart says he got the information from a guard at Moundsville.

MANNINGTON

Holds Reception.
Mr. and Mrs. Ira W. Davis entertained a large number of friends at an informal reception at their home in East Main street Monday evening in honor of their guests, Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Roberts, of Westfield, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Roberts and Miss Whittlessey, of Erie, Pa. A pleasant social evening interspersed with music was enjoyed by the guests. Miss Lois Clark and Mrs. Roy F. Alder assisted in the dining room.

Entertains Friends.
Miss Virginia Shaw entertained a party of young ladies at her home on Monday evening in honor of Miss Margaret Egbert, who has been the guest of her aunt, Mrs. A. C. Perry in Beauty avenue for the past few weeks, and who returns today to her home in Oil City, Pa.

Shaw Reunion.
A reunion of the Shaw family was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Shaw at Grangeville last Sunday. A large number of guests were present, the gathering including children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren and many other relatives and friends of the family. A very enjoyable day was spent with the hospitable host and hostess. Dinner was served in the grove near the Shaw home. During the day it was decided to make the reunion a permanent annual affair for all persons connected with the Shaws in the vicinity, beginning with September of 1919, and continuing each September thereafter. Officers were elected as follows: James Shaw, president; Harry F. Barbe, secretary; Leslie Mills, treasurer, and Clifford Davall, of Fairmont, historian.

Mrs. Brookover Ill.
Mrs. Brookover is quite ill at the home of Mrs. Lee Hawkins, of Burt Hill.

In France.
In a card to a friend in Mannington, Private Sam J. Allison, a former Gowers Pottery employe here, now of the U. S. army, states that he has arrived safely in France.

Hotel Arrivals.
Bartlett—W. R. Stevenson, Wheeling; S. O. Armstrong, West Alexander, Pa.; B. S. Evans, Norfolk, Va.; J. G. Wright, Clarksburg; E. P. Eavens, Philadelphia.
Wells—J. J. Lilly, Parkersburg; J. I. Judson, Dunkirk, N. Y.; Homer Rogers, Elkins; Mrs. Opal Stallings, Laton, Canal Zone, Panama; C. F. Polhamus, Fairview; J. W. Bunting, Sistersville; J. D. Jarrett, Clarksburg; C. C. Parker, B. B. Ammons, E. E. Ammons, Fairview; Cecil Shultz, Huntred; Jessie Sturges, Downs.

Personals.
Orion D. Nutter returned Monday from a business visit in Lexington, Ky. Mrs. John F. Blackwood has returned to her home in Fairmont after a visit with relatives here.
Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Glover and Mrs.

How Big Is A Dollar? Dollars A Biggest In Suit Section on Friday—August 2nd

There Will Be Several Dates for You at This Store.

During the month of August the final sale of spring and Summer Suits on Friday—August 2nd is but the first of a series of August Clean-up events.

We promise you that each of these events will be worthy of attending in these war-laden days. Your attention will be called to repricing and under pricing of all kinds of worth-while, seasonable summer merchandise—each offering bulging with the message of Economy.

Pretty Summer Dresses. of every imaginable sort—prettier than they have never been made. That we are justified in saying so, you will admit once their colorings and styles come within range of your vision. There are weeks and weeks of wear for them ahead.
\$4.50 to \$16.50

True Values

Only a Limited Number of Spring Suits

In Lighter Shades, and Summer Suits of Silk are left

So They're Half-Priced

This is Final! These few suits—all that remain of a stock that received Supreme praise from our best patrons—will be disposed of to the very last garment—Not in 1918 have such values as these been offered—For in this case the original price was so low (due to our drive against rising costs) that now—Half Price.

Has a new meaning. If you come Friday and find your size in this offering, you'll get the best value you can expect for years perhaps.

Sale Prices \$7.50 to \$24.88

None of These Suits Will Be Charged or Sent on Approval



Almost Any Day—You May Have Real Use

For A Raincoat—

It is an article of apparel that never comes amiss. We are showing attractive models at

\$5.00 to \$9.75

Tailored Blouses

that you will want for wear the year round. New arrivals in Duvity, Battiste and linen. At these prices there is no reason why you should not have several.
\$2.50 and \$4.50

Courtneys'

108-110 Main St.

George Everhart, of Fairmont, were recent guests of the latter's father, J. L. King, and family.
J. M. Maupin left Monday evening for a visit with relatives in Washington, D. C.
Mrs. William Humes, of Steubenville, Ohio, arrived Monday evening for a visit with relatives in Clarksburg street.
Mrs. Samuel Evans and daughter are guests of relatives in Clarksburg.
Mrs. Dora Weaver left yesterday for a visit with her brother, Will R. Bassett and family in Mount Vernon, O.
Harry J. Haught was a business visitor in Shinnston on Monday.
Charles Phillips has returned from an automobile trip to Ohio cities.
Rev. J. V. Kooniz, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, left Monday for a month's vacation.
Mr. and Mrs. A. G. Clayton and daughter, Miss Jane, will leave this week for a short visit with relatives in Maryland. Mrs. J. R. Cook and daughter of Fairmont, will accompany them.
Mrs. Russell Snodgrass left this morning for a visit with friends in Steubenville, Ohio.

LETTER LIST

List of unclaimed letters remaining in the Fairmont, West Virginia, Post Office for the week ending July 27, 1918.
Austin Arthur H
Anderson Arthur
Alexander G H
Anderson L H
Allen Albert
Bonnie Miss (2)
Bunn Miss Ellen
Bradley Chas.
Bartlett Oia
Bury Mrs Frank J
Lowe Virgil
Layhue Persill
Liberato A
Lahuer Mrs
Logan Henry
McCormick Mary
McCormick Miss Nell
McConley D
Michael Clark

If You Ever Were Sunburned

When the skin begins to peel it also begins to get sore. Sunburn, then, should be quickly relieved by an application of Sunburn Lotion. Nothing nicer for the purpose, we assure you. Price 25c.

CRANE'S Drug Store

RUFF STUFF

World looks brighter today in spite of the fact that the sun does not shine.
There's water in most of the pipes again, hooray, hooray!
Darned good thing too, for the water merchants were getting their prices up to the point where it was hard to tell whether they were offering water or booze.
Why is it that every one always charges all the traffic will bear in this burg?
Must be in the air.
Today it is juice that is short.
In this town life really is just one darned thing after another.
But cheer up; that is merely a sign of rapid growth.
Even the high prices.
And during the excitement Prof. Legard dropped out of sight.
He was waiting for that chance.
Nothing stupider has been pulled since Kaiser Bill started the war.

New York city officials are asking army exemptions for the cops of that town.
Probably on the ground that there is fighting enough to do right at home.
At that the finest are better off than the police of Philadelphia which were "taken over" by the Navy department months ago and will have to stay out of politics this year of go to jail.
And that takes all the joy out of the life of most policemen.
Staying out of politics, we mean.
You don't have to work in jail either.
Great political show down only five days off.
But if it is anything like it was two years ago it will be a week after that before the candidates will know whether or not the guys they have signed up stayed put.
The largest and fastest battle cruiser in the world is being built by the United States. It will have 180,000 horsepower and a speed of 35 knots.
It is estimated that 1,000 negro women in Birmingham, Ala., and vicinity are now engaged in manual labor formerly done by men.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

SAYS SCORE WAS A TIE.
LUMBERPORT, July 30.—[Editor The West Virginian]—Please correct the score published in Monday's West Virginian between Baxter and Lumberport. The score was 1 to 1. Two out in 10 inning when Lumberport team left the field. The play occurred as follows: One man was out and one runner for Baxter was on 3rd base. When batter hit ball to fence runner started home before staying on 3rd base to see if ball was caught. C. J. Wooster made a bare handed catch of the ball, threw it in to in field. The ball was played home then back to 3rd where runner tried to go back when some of the Baxter boys had caught hold of the runner and made him go back to 3rd. This put the runner out according to the rules for no one is allowed to touch runner after he becomes a runner only in trying to put him out. The umpire said he was safe, the other said he was out so the Lumberport team left the field on this decision.
Please issue a correction about the score in Monday's paper. Thanking you in advance, we remain,
Yours respectfully,
H. H. REDGE.



The U. S. Senate Is A Man's Size Job
Hon. Virgil L. Highland

Has been doing man's size jobs all his life, has done them so successfully, that he stands in the front ranks of West Virginia's Foremost Men. And the foremost men of West Virginia are espousing his candidacy.

They appeal to you Mr. Republican, to join with them, and put the Highland candidate "Over the Top" on Primary Day.

No excuses, no apologies, no regrets if the Hon. Virgil L. Highland is nominated to head the party's ticket this year. Only Pride and Confidence, Party Harmony and a strong appeal to voters of all parties, and a man in the United States Senate fit to be there.

Why Not Take a Stand Today for this Leading Candidate?